

# UA MAU KE EA

## Sovereignty Endures:

An Overview of the Political and Legal History of the Hawaiian Islands

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## Pū'ā Foundation Unveils New Textbook on Political and Legal History of Hawai'i

### WHAT:

*Ua Mau Ke Ea Sovereignty Endures: An Overview of the Political and Legal History of the Hawaiian Islands*  
by David Keanu Sai, Ph.D.

### ABOUT THE TEXTBOOK:

*Ua Mau Ke Ea* takes the reader on a journey from eighteenth century Hawai'i under the rule of King Kamehameha I, through the nineteenth century of the Hawaiian Kingdom, and up to the twenty-first century of occupation. The book offers a political science perspective on the repercussions of the illegal overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom government on January 17, 1893, and the impact of two executive agreements entered into between Queen Lili'uokalani and President Grover Cleveland that still resonate in Hawai'i's society today. Grounded in recognized legal and political theory, Dr. Sai covers critical events surrounding this defining period in Hawai'i's history, including the cession of the Kingdom of Hawai'i to Great Britain by Kamehameha I, introduction of Christianity, international recognition of Hawaiian sovereignty, government reform, the 1887 revolt, United States intervention and ultimately the prolonged occupation of the Hawaiian Islands.

### HERE'S WHAT SOME ARE SAYING:

Secondary educators in Hawai'i are extremely fortunate to be able to access the rarest of pedagogical materials for the required Hawai'i DOE Modern Hawaiian History course: an academically sound and well-written textbook.

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A concise, yet detailed account of the legal and political history of Hawai'i for advanced students... Heavily dependent on primary sources and contextualization, this book is a radical departure from "conventional" histories with some truly fresh insights on the Hawaiian Kingdom and Hawai'i's current legal status. By focusing on Hawai'i's often-neglected legal infrastructure, Sai shows its problematic—and ultimately occupied—nature.

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Breakthrough! Sai has produced the most insightful work to date on the foundations of the political and legal history of the Kingdom of Hawaii and it's relevance to Hawaiian political life today.

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